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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q78239

Hidetoshi KODAMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/695,934

Group Art Unit: 2853

Confirmation No.: 7060

Examiner: Ly T. TRAN

Filed: October 30, 2003

For: INK-JET RECORDING APPARATUS AND RECORDING METHOD THEREFOR

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claim Rejections:

The Examiner has indicated that only claims 1-32 are pending and that all of these claims stand rejected.

However, Applicant notes that on October 30, 2003, the filing date of the present application, Applicant filed a Preliminary Amendment, in which claims 1-32 were canceled and claims 33-37 were added. Thus, Applicant submits that the Examiner's rejection of claims 1-32 is improper and moot.

A copy of the Preliminary Amendment filed on October 30, 2003 is attached for the Examiner's reference, along with a date stamped filing receipt, which evidences the filing of the above referenced Preliminary Amendment.